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K-State will play UCLA in Valero Alamo Bowl

By Adam Suderman THE COLLEGIAN

It has been 13 years since the Wildcats have won back-to-back bowl games and with the Sunday announcement of the team's trip to San Antonio, the op-

Hannah Hunsinger | the COLLECIAN
Senior tight end **Zach Tru- jillo** celebrates after scoring

a touchdown against the Baylor Bears last Saturday at McLane Stadium in Waco,

has been presented.

On Friday, Jan. 2, K-State (9-3, 7-2) will face UCLA (9-3, 6-3 Pac-12) in the Valero Alamo Bowl the third game between the two schools in the last five

"It is the most prestigious bowl from the Big 12 perspective," K-State Athletics Director John Currie said in a school conference call. "We certainly have outstanding partners, whether it was the Alamo Bowl or the Russell Athletic Bowl, it was going to

portunity to end the streak be a significant reward for our student-athletes. This is a 65,000-seat climate-controlled venue (Alamodome) that will have two very, highly-ranked teams, both of whom were in the national spotlight this year and both of whom have tre-

mendous players." This will be the fifthstraight bowl game that K-State has played in, which most recently includes appearance in the Fiesta and Buffalo Wild Wings Bowl in the last two seasons.

"The selection to the

Valero Alamo Bowl provides a fitting end to a very successful season for our football team," President Kirk Schulz said in a K-State Athletics release. "We are confident the K-State family will follow tradition and bring the purple to San Antonio. Congratulations to Coach Snyder, his staff and our hard-working student-athletes for this postseason

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communications, at the 2014 Miss Black and Gold Pageant in Forum Hall last Saturday.

Pageant celebrates 'Sisters of Success'

By Taneysha Howard THE COLLEGIAN

¬he Kappa Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. hosted its 16th annual Miss Black and Gold pageant last Saturday night with the theme "Sisters of Success."

"The ladies have been working really hard and they put forth their best effort tonight," said Allen Lewis, junior in accounting and co-coordinator of the Black and Gold Pageant. "They dedicated a lot of time to perfect their performance and it reflected throughout the show."

Raychel Gadson, senior in public relations, said she felt amazing to be crowned this vear's Miss Black and Gold, the overall winner.

"I was completely surprised that I won," Gadson said. "I participated in this pageant with some exceptional women and I felt that we all put forth our best. There was never a clear lead of who would win."

Gadson was also crowned Miss GPA and Miss Souvenir Book. Gadson earned these titles by having the highest GPA out of all of the contestants and selling the most advertisements for the pageant's souvenir book. Gadson will be awarded a \$1,000 book scholarship.

"I feel that I was able to win because I am comfortable with public speaking and I'm a good thinker on my feet," Gadson said. "I also have a high GPA and I am glad the pageant valued that."

During the Q-and-A period, the contestants were asked if they believed that body cameras would help prevent police brutality in the future. Gadson said she believed it was a step in the right direction, but unfortunately would not prevent abuses by some police officers if the justice system continues to not punish officers who misuse their

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WinterDance features performance to beat of traditional West African drums

By Ariel Crockett THE COLLEGIAN

The hollow sounds of traditional West African drums could be heard throughout Mark A. Chapman Theatre as K-State's School of Music, Theatre and Dance students performed their opening number for this year's Winterdance 2014 on Saturday.

Julie Pentz, program director and associate professor for the School of Music Theatre and Dance, said auditions for the annual event were held during the first week of class at the beginning of the semester. Attendees of the show experienced about eight different dance routines that showcased all different styles of dance, traditions and

"It (the audition process) featured all dance styles," Pentz said. "We had modern, jazz, tap, ballet and West African dance. So there was something for everyone."

According to Pentz, the new Western African piece took herself and instructor Neil Dunn to Ghana on two different trips in order to learn the advanced-level

"It featured five musicians and 17 dancers, so it was a really unique dance," Pentz said.

The routine, "Bamaya," is a traditional social dance popular in the Dagomba culture in northern Ghana; the "ornate pom-pom belts" were worn by the dancers to emphasize their hip move-

ments in the choreography. The event included live

music and was choreographed by three choreographers; associate professors David Ollington,

Laura Donnelly and Pentz. This year was Alison Wheatley's, associate professor and assistant dean in the College of Arts and Sciences, first time attending the annual perfor-

"I was really impressed with the range of styles and movements and I love how they incorporated body and sign language," Wheatley said in reference to the second number -amodern dance routine called "Sorrow/Redemption," which largely contrasted the upbeat nature of the traditional Ghanian dance in the opening.

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Cassandra Nguyen | the collegian Dancers perform "The Crystal Ballet" at WinterDance rehearsal in Mark A. Chapman Theatre last

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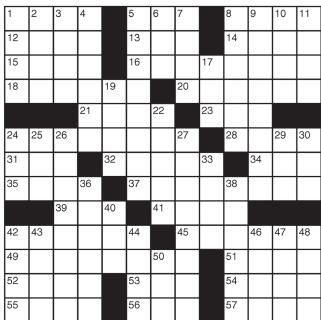
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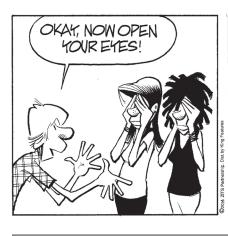
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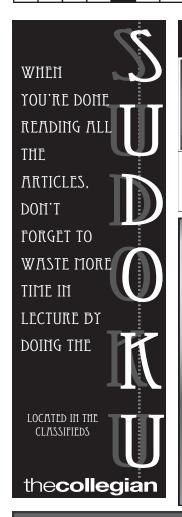


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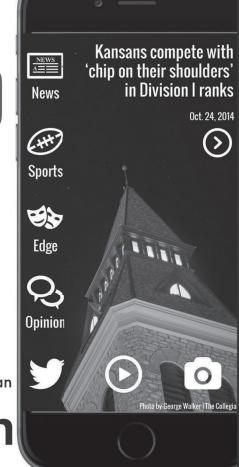
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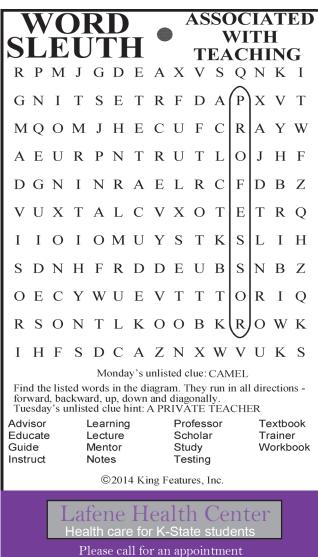
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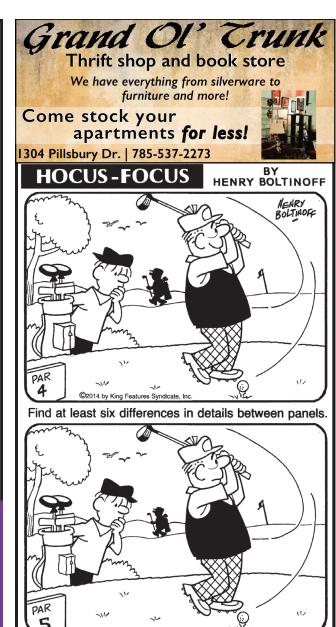


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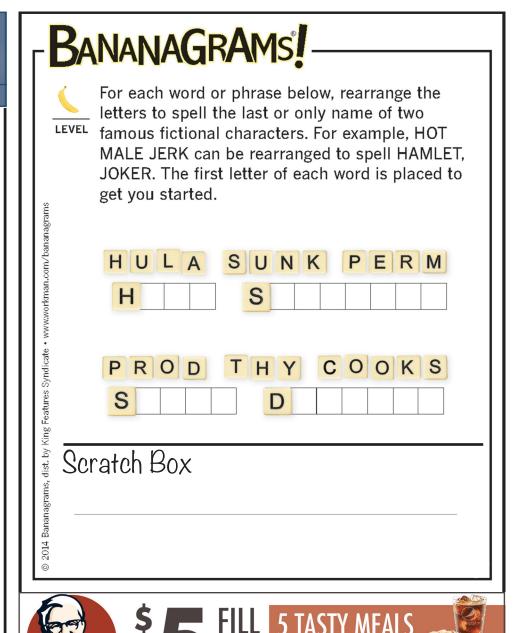


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Dead week killed by teachers, tests

By Kelsey Floyd The Collegian

On the forefront of my mind right now is the impending stress of dead week. Personally, I have three papers, a lab test and a major project due during this week that is supposedly designated to prepare me for finals. I have so much work due during dead week, however, that I won't have much time to study for finals before the week starts.

According to the rumblings from other students around campus, my case appears to be a common one. Some students even have tests during dead week, even though it is in direct violation of the policy set by K-State.

The University Handbook section F70 states: "Except for honors, problems, seminar, reports, research, laboratory practical, language, studio and

fine arts performance classes, the last examination (either unit or comprehensive) must be given during the final examination period published on the web. No examination (unit or final) may be scheduled seven calendar days prior to the first scheduled day of semester examinations."

Tabatha Bell, junior in chemical engineering, has a test in her Transport Phenomena I class during dead week. Professor of chemical engineering, Larry Glasgow, decided to move the test a week later from Dec. 3 to dead week to give the students more time to gain an understanding of the material on the test.

"As a class, we were okay with this decision," Bell said. "It is a lot better than having it right as we returned from Thanksgiving break."

Even though the class agreed on having the test during dead week, I can't help but wonder if teachers should have this option at all. What if one student can't handle the load of a test right before finals week, but the rest agree? Does that student just have to deal with being outnumbered?

Students should have the option to take a test early (as in the week before dead week, rather than during dead week). Teachers should be compelled to follow policy, and give students the option to have a week solely to prepare for their finals.

There should also be a new addition to the dead week clause in the handbook as well. Many students have lab tests during dead week, which is currently an exclusion in the handbook. Instead, they should be included in the no-test rule, making it so students take their lab finals during finals week. These finals are just as difficult as regular class finals and

should be treated in the same way.
Sarah Thomas, sophomore
in hospitality management, has a
Chemistry I final today.

"I feel like dead week should have optional class because you need the time to prepare for finals week, you should have the whole week to study," Thomas said. "There shouldn't be any tests at all during dead week."

On top of having lab finals during finals week, teachers should also reconsider their homework schedule for dead week. For instance, in my Advertising Strategy and Writing class we have a paper due on Monday, our final semester project due Wednesday and a final on the Tuesday of finals week. When taking into account the other homework that I have due during dead week, when am I supposed to get sufficient time to study for my finals?

Teachers should consider having major projects due the week before dead week, in order to give students the chance to study properly for their finals. Setting up their schedule to allow for students to have a break before

finals could really help students have the chance to do better in their classes.

Dead week is an important way for students to be able to study for their finals. Not only should teachers be forced to follow the policy already set by the university, but changes should also be made. Changing the policy to make all examinations unacceptable during dead week, along with teachers making deadlines for homework due before dead week will give students a fair chance at succeeding in their finals.

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- Sleep inStudy for finalsRelax
- 8 Monday
- · Group study sesh
- Not have an exam
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- 9 Tuesday
- · Sleep in
- · Make flashcards
- · Relax
- 10 Wednesday
- Hang out w/ friendsStudy for finals
- · Not worry about lab exam until next week
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- Go See
 "Exodus: Gods
 and Kings"
 Study for finals



Real dead week:

- · FINISH
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 · START
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- 8 Monday
- · FINISH
 OTHER PAPER!
 · MEET WITH GROUP
 FOR PROJECT!
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 9 Tuesday
- · PAPER ONE DUE! · STUDY FOR LAB EXAM!!!
- 10 Wednesday
- · LAB EXAM!

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- · GROUP PROJECT

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 · WORK ON OTHER
 HOMEWORK
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Ferguson, Eric Garner events show failure on behalf of the federal government



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Before you grab your pitchforks and politically affluent Twitter accounts, let's chat. With Ferguson and now Eric Garner, there seems to be a two-party argument. You're either racist or ignorant ... or maybe both in some cases. But we like to blow over the third argument, the overlaying theme that we all agree on: No matter what you think of the recent cases, the local, state and federal government has failed to protect its citizens in

some capacity.

If you are passionate about your belief that Michael Brown was a victim to racially charged violence and murder, or that Eric Garner was unjus-

tifiably killed, then you must acknowledge there is corrup-

tion in law enforcement.

If you think Michael
Brown was raised in an environment that cultivated druguse, robbery and assault on an armed officer, then you are aware of the exploitation by a nanny-state government.

If you are super angry about the looting in Ferguson, then you understand there was a failure to "serve and protect" by law enforcement and failure of a timely deployment by Missouri National Guard

All of these beliefs are connected through an acknowledgment that individualism rules above all else.

Without video-camera footage of the Ferguson incident, it is nearly illogical to attempt to clearly identify what happened at the scene with only media reports and inconsistent witness testimonies. A government failure in the matter of the attack is based purely on hypothesis, but neither side should not be discounted as an invalid argument.

To assume that racism has

disappeared as an absolute in all law enforcement would be an abhorrently ignorant statement. It also doesn't discount the third argument: if Michael Brown was racially targeted, corruption in law enforcement and the federal government still exists.

The other side would argue that Michael Brown's robbery and assault on former officer Wilson originated from somewhere, since it would be illogical to justify theft and assault on a police officer without probable cause. Maybe there was a lack of parenting. Negatively influencing friend groups? Possibly. Poor education? A high chance. Nanny-state and anti-cop culture? I definitely think so. The latter two? Failure on behalf of public services provided by government.

None of that matters now, though, because the convenience store that Michael Brown stole his cigars from doesn't sell cigars anymore. Not after it was looted in the protests that followed the grand jury decision.

If you watched any of the

Dec. 3, you understand the state of anarchy that was Ferguson. Where were the cops?

In an interview with two store owners by Fox2Now, St. Louis News, an AR-15wielding store owner told the reporter, "The Capt. Johnson person that called my cellphone, I'm watching the TV and I see people coming out with boxes, with cases of stuff, and he's trying to tell me that they've got cops in front of the store and that they've got everything under control. I told him, 'No sir, I'm watching the TV right now and I see people running out of the store with the boxes. The boxes full of stuff that we just paid for out of our own money.' We understand Michael Brown's family has nothing to do with this. Our prayers go out to the family. But the police need to do something about these looters. We are being the police

right now."

They had to be the police.

The government failed to protect its citizens yet again.

After the jury decision on

After the jury decision on Dec. 3, Mayor James Knowles

III said he was disappointed with the delayed deployment of the Missouri National Guard.

"Unfortunately the National Guard was not deployed in enough time to save all of our businesses," he said in a press conference the next day. "The decision not to deploy the National Guard was deeply disturbing."

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Now, it isn't fair to parallel the deaths of Michael Brown and Eric Garner, due to a lack of evidence and disparity between the two men's activities preceding their deaths. But it is totally fair to say that Eric Garner's death is indisputably the result of government overreach and corruption.

Eric Garner was killed as a result of being brought down by a choke hold by law enforcement, employed by the state government, because he was selling a single cigarette on the sidewalk since the packs sold in store cost \$12-\$15 due to state and federal taxes. This means he was breaking the law by selling on the black market. But of course, the government

nas your best interests at neart. Since when are police officers violent tax collectors? Can't a guy get a break?

What the past four months have taught us is that no one can win, because when a citizen is potentially racially targeted by a police officer, no law enforcement or National Guardsmen will be there to protect the community when criminal looting breaks out afterwards. Then, when you try to freely sell untaxed cigarettes on your sidewalk because all the gas stations are burned down as a result of a lack of police action during protests, you just may be brought down in a choke hold by the same policemen that shot your friend and let your store burn.

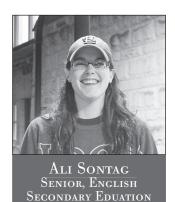
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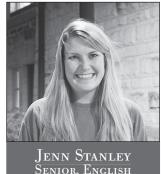
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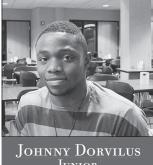


"Christmas sugar cookies. Not only is frosting is an obsession, but it's the right size of food to snack on during this season."

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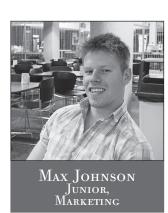


"Clam Chowder. It was my grandmother's favorite dish to have during the holidays and after she passed away, it became a family tradition."



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"Definitely candy canes, because it's very convenient to snack on and easy to eat."

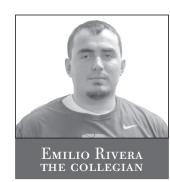


"Eggnog, because it makes me feel like Christmas on the inside."

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Big 12 bowl rankings: Without championship or playoffs Baylor, Michigan State to play in conference's best game



1. Goodyear Cotton **Bowl Classic:** No. 4 Baylor (11-1, 8-1) vs. No. 7 Michigan State (10-2, 7-1 Big Ten) Jan. 1, 11:30 a.m., ESPN

The Bears got snubbed from the College Football Playoff, but their consolation prize is the chance to play in AT&T Stadium, which is the stadium that will hold the national championships game 11 days later.

Art Briles and his team have won at least a share of the last two Big 12 championships and will take on Michigan State, who didn't get a chance

to play in its conference's championship game. Its only conference loss came at the hands of one of the four teams heading to the playoff, No. 5 Ohio State.

This game will feature two of the best passing attacks in the nation, with junior Connor Cook coming into the game throwing for 2,900 yards for the Spartans and senior quarterback Bryce Patty tossing 3,305 yards for the Bears. Both teams also are sporting backs who have ran well-over 1,000 yards apiece.

2. Chick-fil-A Peach **Bowl:** No. 6 TCU (11-1, 8-1) vs. No. 9 Ole Miss (9-3, 5-3 SEC) Dec. 31, 11:30 a.m., ESPN

The other half of the Big 12's co-champions are coming off of a blowout win over lastplace Iowa State. The Rebels are also coming off a regular season that had them at No. 1 in the nation at one point, but fell off after back-to-back losses in SEC play.

This game has two teams that have won games in completely different ways this season. The Horned Frogs are sporting the second-best scoring offense in the nation, averaging 46.8 points per game. The Rebels come into the game with the best scoring defense in the country, only allowing 13.8 points per game.

3. Valero Alamo Bowl: No. 11 K-State (9-3, 7-2) vs. No. 14 UCLA (9-3, 6-3 Pac-12) Jan. 2, 4:45 p.m., ESPN

After having their Big 12 Championship hopes squashed by Baylor, the Wildcats are heading to San Antonio to take on a reeling Bruins team that also had conference championship hopes crushed in their last game, losing to underdog

Besides the national championship, this game is the last bowl of the season that features a ranked team. Call this an extra treat because this game features two well-rounded teams that have experienced head coaches at the helm and two quality quarterbacks.

Bruins' junior quarterback Brett Hundley. Jr. is nearing 10,000 career passing yards while K-State senior quarterback Jake Waters is coming up to 3,200 yards for the season. Both these quarterbacks need to get something going through the air in order for their offenses to succeed.

4. Russell Athletic Bowl: Oklahoma (8-4, 5-4) vs. No. 18 Clemson (9-3, 6-2 ACC)Dec. 29, 4:30 p.m., ESPN

What a year it has been for the Sooners. They've gone from a lock at the beginning of the season for the playoffs to losing three of their last four home games. Their prize for their fallout is Clemson, whose only downfall was their inability to play well against ranked teams on the road.

The Sooners' stout running game will be thoroughly tested agains the Tigers' tough-nosed defense. Something to be noted for the Sooners is the availability of running back Samaje



HANNAH HUNSINGER | THE COLLEGIAN

K-State junior defensive back **Dante Barnett** tries to take down Baylor sophomore running back **Shock Linwood**, who escaped his grasp in the fourth quarter on Saturday's game at McLane Stadium in Waco, Texas.

Which bowl games rank fifth through seventh? Scan the QR code to read more or visit www. kstatecollegian.com



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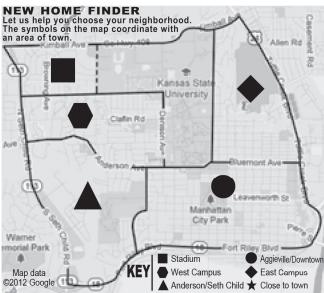
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Bowl crap: Big 12 gets snubbed from the inaugural College Football Playoff



The College Football Playoff committee had three different options when it came to selecting which team would fill the last playoff spot. Two of the options would have been acceptable to anyone. One of them, however, was flat wrong.

Unfortunately for the Big 12, the committee chose the wrong option.

The resumes speak for themselves. TCU lost to the No. 5 team in the country and Baylor lost on the road to a Big 12 opponent who finished with a winning record in conference play. Ohio State lost at home by 14 points to a 6-6 team who finished 10th in arguably the worst Power 5 conference.

TCU and Baylor were clearly more deserving than Ohio State, but the committee blatantly overlooked that. They also inadvertently made it clear that their

in-season rankings didn't matter one bit.

The Horned Frogs were No. 3 going into their game on Saturday. They won the game by 52 points. On Sunday, they dropped to No. 6 in the committee's

Sure, the Buckeyes have looked very impressive as of late. They are a very good team, who won by 59 points in their conference championship game. That doesn't mean that they deserve to jump a team who did nothing but win after they achieved their high ranking. TCU did their job and took care of business, but still somehow fell behind Ohio State.

Selecting the Buckeyes is solely about money. Ohio State has the largest enrollment of the three schools and has notable alumni who work for ESPN, the carrier of the College Football Playoff. They are also one of the most prestigious programs in

The only argument in favor of Ohio State is that they won their conference championship game, while the Big 12 doesn't have one. The problem with that is that the Big 10 is not all that great. It's a conference full of

mediocre teams. The Buckeyes just happen to be the best of the bunch and it helped lead them to a 12-1

record. In the committee's eyes, winning a conference championship game is worth more than playing every team in the conference and finishing 8-1.

The Big 12 essentially was punished for not having a conference championship game and this might be the push that the conference needed to expand. Adding two more teams is not out of the realm of possibilities.

From the precedent the College Football Playoff committee has set, it doesn't matter who the two teams are. As long as the Big 12 has a conference championship game, the bottom two teams could be bad enough to struggle in the Mid-American Conference. The 13th game is all that would be needed for the committee to decide the Big 12's champion is deserving.

No matter what, the Big 12 will look hard at some sort of rule change or expansion. The decision from the committee will force that, right or wrong. Unfortunately for TCU and Baylor, it won't help their teams this season. The damage has been done and change is on the horizon.

Austin Earl is a sophomore in fishing, wildlife and conservation biology. Please send comments to sports@ kstatecollegian.com.

BLACKAND GOLD | Fraternity awards over \$2,000 in scholarships

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The contestants were judged on several categories and many of the contestants won titles.

Tanniqua-Kay Buchanan, senior in dance and regional and community planning, was crowned Miss Gold, first runner up and Miss Career. Buchanan will be awarded a \$600 book scholarship.

Tiana Brooks, senior in digital arts, was crowned Miss Black, second runner up and Miss Diligence. Brooks will be awarded a \$500 book

Brooks has competed in the pageant before and said she felt it was definitely worth doing again. She said she enjoyed the experience and chose to do it again because she felt there was a lot more she could do.

The first time I participated it allowed me to test the waters," Brooks said. "This year, I was able to think and plan smarter because I understood how the pageant practice works and how critical is was to do things such as sell ads for the souvenir book and sell tickets.'

Brittney Blythe, junior in human nutrition and health and gerontology, won the title of Miss Dedication. Cayla Young, sophomore in animal sciences and industry and communications, won the title of Miss Elegance. Khenady Gaines, freshman in finance, was the only freshman to compete and won the title of Miss Swimwear. Briana Hawkins, senior in public relations, won the title of Miss Talent. Shakyra Everett, junior in animal sciences and industry, was crowned Miss Sisterhood. Miss Sisterhood is the only category voted on by the other contestants.

"I came to support classy minority women," Shawn Meyer, senior in organizational communication, said. "I like that this pageant showcase(s) these women in the positive light that they should be shown in."

People from outside of the K-State community came to support the pageant as well, like Lydia Korte, senior in psychology at Wichita State University and current Miss Black and

"Although I am white, I think it is important to support other Greek organizations including

multicultural Greek organization," Korte said. Korte is a member of Delta Gamma at WSU.

"Although the pageant is (meant) to showcase African-American women, being African-American is not a requirement to participate," Korte said. "My participation brought a different dynamic to the pageant. It also brought a different demographic to come and support the pageant."

Korte will compete against Gadson at the Alpha Phi Alpha Midwestern Regional Conven-

"My participation in this pageant has allowed me to create friendships with people who I can see myself being friends with forever," Gadson said. "The women and the Alphas were very encouraging. I don't know how I am going to survive without seeing them three times a week."

BOWL | Trip is 16th under Snyder, 18th in school history for Wildcats

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To head coach Bill Snyder, having the opportunity to reaching double-digit victories is a worthwhile goal that the university and program should be excited about.

'We are proud of the young men in our program and very pleased to represent the Big 12 Conference in the Valero Alamo Bowl," Snyder said in the release. "Our team still has a chance to accomplish something special this season and finish the year with 10 victories. The Alamo Bowl is a first-class bowl organization and we appreciate Derrick Fox and the entire bowl staff for their efforts and support of college football."

It has been 16 years since the Wildcats have played in the Alamo Bowl and they will hope to form better memories in San Antonio. They fell to Purdue 36-35 on Dec. 29, 1998 after losing the Big 12 title game to Texas A&M and a shot to play for a national championship.

Snyder reflected on the more positive memories of the trip in the Sunday afternoon conference call.

'We were well-received the previous time and I think they do a wonderful job down there," Snyder said. "They really care for the young people in our program. There are a lot of opportunities for them to experience new things. The community was very receptive as well."

The Bruins are coming off of a surprising loss to Stanford that kept them away from an opportunity to play in the Pac-12 championship game. However, they had won five-straight games leading into the regular season finale against the Cardinals. That list includes a 38-20 victory over No. 24 USC.

"When you consider that Valero Alamo Bowl produced a number of the mostwatched non-BCS Bowl Games in its broadcast partner's history, we can't wait to get on the field at the Alamodome, compete every down against a tremendous

Kansas State team and fight for our second consecutive 10-win season," UCLA head coach Jim Mora said in a released statement from the university.

With their 38-27 loss to No. 5 Baylor last Saturday, the opportunity to jump into a New Year's Eve or New Year's Day bowl game slipped away from K-State. The top four bowl games outside of the College Football Playoff are also selected by the hand-selected commit-

Big 12 conference foes Baylor and TCU are within the group that will be playing on those days, with their games coming against Michigan State and Ole Miss, respectively.

"We were very close," Currie said. "Obviously we saw that the committee had us at No. 11. We were the next one out a tially. It is what it is. I think our team has proven themselves with a lot of great victories this year. We played five road games in our league, which is something very few teams do nationally.'

DANCE | Numbers have students thinking of graduation, technology

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Donovan Woods, senior in applied music, said he thought the pieces were thought-provoking and well-versed.

"The Wiggles piece made me think of childbirth," Woods said. "With my graduation coming up, it made me think of starting

Woods said the routine, "Contact Uninvited," reminded him how technology-driven society is today and it was nice to see the topic of how disconnected society is,

According to Pentz said, the dancers spent about four to five hours practicing their routine each week on average.

"I thought it was all really fun, and I can tell they put in a lot of time into it," Peighton Jamison, freshman in theater, said.

One of the dancers from the show, Eli Camp, freshman in business administration. has danced for 15 years and said he really enjoyed learning and performing the African routine, "Bamaya."

"This was my first year participating, but I'm probably going to perform in the spring dance in 2015," Camp said.

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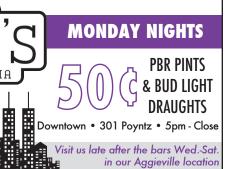
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